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STATE URGES REAL ESTATE PROFESSIONALS TO RENEW LICENSES ONLINE

HONOLULU – The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs' (DCCA) Professional and Vocational Licensing Division (PVL) is encouraging more than 21,000 real estate professionals to renew their licenses online at www.ehawaii.gov/pvlrenew.

Real estate professionals must renew their licenses every two years. During the last renewal cycle in 2004, 39% of real estate brokers and 44% of real estate salespersons chose to take advantage of the online renewal system. "This year we are making a concerted effort to get the word out to the real estate licensees that the online process is faster and easier than filling out the paper forms," said Calvin Kimura, supervising executive officer for PVL's Real Estate Branch. "We hope to see a major increase in online renewals for this cycle."

Instructions for completing the online renewal have been mailed to each current license holder. Online renewals will be accepted until midnight on December 31, 2006. After that date, renewals will not be accepted online and persons wishing to renew their license must submit the forms by mail or in person to:

DCCA/PVL Licensing Branch 335 Merchant Street, Room 301 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

For more details, visit: www.hawaii.gov/dcca/areas/real/Renewals, or call 586-2643 on Oahu.

Neighbor island residents may call the following numbers followed by 6-2643 and the # sign:

Kauai: 274-3141 Maui: 984-2400 Hawaii: 974-4000

Lanai & Molokai: 1-800-468-4644 (toll free)

The development of this online service is part of the state's overall campaign to improve efficiency by implementing electronic government services. Currently ehawaii.gov has more than 30 online applications that residents, businesses and visitors may use to conduct business with the state government via the Internet.

Hawaii's official Internet portal, ehawaii.gov, is managed by Hawaii Information Consortium, LLC (HIC). HIC works with state agencies to enable them to conduct state business online and improve public access to government information.

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